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Mr. Glen Okimoto
Director of Transportation
869 Punchbowl Street
Honolulu, Hawaii
96813

Subject: State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation Harbors Division Tiger VI Discretionary Grant Application, Pier 4 Hilo.

Dear Director Okimoto,

American Marine Corporation supports the Department of Transportation Tiger VI grant application for the Pier 4 Wharf Project at Hilo Commercial Harbor, Island of Hawaii.

As a tug and barge operator that calls on the Port of Hilo, our company views the need of this new pier as imperative for the Island of Hawaii.

The Port of Hilo has traditionally been short on pier space, and constructing this new pier in Hilo will certainly establish significant commercial benefit the Island of Hawaii and the State of Hawaii overall.

All consumer goods flow through the state harbor system and as such the importance of a strong infrastructure is clear.

The Tiger V Discretionary Funds for Hilo Pier 4 Commercial Wharf Project would be very helpful to the state and the overall recovery efforts, having a positive effect overall.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our support for this funding and please let us know if we can assist in any way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott L. Vuillemot", followed by a horizontal flourish.

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